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Farm Safety— A Good Investment

There's one investment that pays top dividends for a lifetime—SAFETY. Some safety investments, such as a positive attitude, cost nothing. Some safety investments, like a slow-moving vehicle (SVM) emblem, might cost a few dollars.

Other safety investments, like rollover protection on your tractor, might cost a little more. But they all pay big dividends.

How can you invest in safety on your farm or ranch? It's easy.



Make a safety investment checklist.

- Assign work on your farm according to your workers' abilities.
- Show appreciation for work well done.
- Communicate by listening as well as by speaking.
- Show a positive attitude toward safe practices.
- Follow up on safety rule violations. (Why were they broken?)



Invest in personal safety for yourself and your workers.

- Wear a bumpcap or hard hat to protect your head.
- Wear safety shoes to protect your feet.
- Wear safety goggles to protect your eyes.
- Wear respiratory gear to protect your lungs.
- Wear ear plugs or earmuffs to protect your hearing.

Other ways to invest in farm and ranch safety . . .



Children are your investment in the future.

Do not permit small children near farm machinery, large animals, or agricultural chemicals. Keep older children away from these potential hazards too, unless they have been trained to handle them properly. Above all, never let children or anyone else "hitch a ride" on farm machinery.



**Have a machinery
checkup too.** Don't wait for a breakdown. An out-of-season overhaul means fewer shutdowns and fewer mishaps.



Have a physical checkup.

Investing in good health can help keep your mind on the job and can help you perform safely. Proper medical treatment can put your mind at ease.

Remember, accidents can drain you and your family of your resources and reserves. That's money. Look around your farm or ranch and see how you can make a better investment for safety.

Your National Safety Council has more information on how you can make safety a good investment. Write to the Farm Department, National Safety Council, 444 North Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 60611.

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